items also may be clubbed together as they all come under the same major head of expenditure. They are all sums to be expended on restoring, repairing or renewing furniture which have been rendered necessary by the very devastating effects of the recent cyclone. These items also could not be anticipated at the time of preparing the budget and I am coming here for additional allotment as a result of the accident. I, therefore, request that the hon'ble members may be pleased to sanction the following additional allotments.—

(16) Rs. 250 under "19-Education—3—Secondary Boys—Furniture".
(17) Rs. 100 under "19-Education—4—Secondary Girls—Furniture".
(18) Rs. 500 under "19-Education—5—Primary Boys—Furniture" and
(19) Rs. 70 under "19-Education—6—Primary Girls—Furniture".

Demands put and carried

20 and 21. Rs. 105 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Boys—Miscellaneous and Office Expenses" and Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Girls—Miscellaneous and Office Expenses"

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 105 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Boys—Miscellaneous and Office expenses", and also for an additional allotment of Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Girls—Miscellaneous and Office expenses". These two demands are identical in purport with demands Nos. 12, 13, 14 and 15. They are intended to meet the deficit under the provision for purchase of stationery for schools. I request the hon'ble members may be pleased to grant these additional allotments.

Demands put and carried

22 to 24. Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Boys—Furniture", Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Girls—Furniture" and Rs. 25 under 14-Education—Cranganur—Primary Boys—Furniture"

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Demands Nos. 22, 23 and 24 relate to practically the same provision, namely, the provision of new furniture rendered necessary by the destruction of furniture by the recent cyclone, in Cranganur. I,

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therefore, move for an additional allotment of Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Boys—Furniture", Rs. 30 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Secondary Girls—Furniture" and Rs. 25 under "14-Education—Cranganur—Primary Boys—Furniture". I request that these demands may be sanctioned by the House.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* From where is the furniture purchased?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Furniture is usually bought from the local market or repaired in the local market.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* We generally find that furniture supplied in Tattamangalam are of inferior quality. *(Laughter).*

Demands put and carried

Admission to Visitors' galleries

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* On a point of order, Sir, I understand that visitors are not allowed in the visitors' gallery, although the tickets have been issued. A lot of people are waiting outside on account of this.

Deputy President: There is no prohibition imposed.

RESOLUTION No. 1

Introducing an Insurance Bill in the lines of the Travancore Insurance Act

Mr. P. K. Madhava Menon *(Narakkal):* Sir, I move the following resolution.—

"*This Council recommends to the Government that they may be pleased to introduce an Insurance Bill in the Council on the lines of the Travancore Insurance Act*".

At present the law which regulates the working of Insurance companies in the State is the Indian Companies Act as made applicable to Cochin State. An Insurance Act was passed in British India in 1938 and similar laws have been passed in some of the native States including Travancore. My suggestion is that an Insurance Act should be passed in our State also.

A large volume of business is transacted in the State by the various companies operating here and it will be very useful if an Insurance Act is passed in order to protect the interests of policy-holders.

As matters stand at present considerable difficulties are experienced by beneficiaries of policy-holders in getting payment of claims arising by death. One chief reason for this is that the claims are made payable outside our State. If there is a law in the State,

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